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Subject: USFS use of ODF IRA contract crews

Hello everyone, please see the guidance below on the use of Type 2 contract crews in the State of Oregon through the Oregon Department of Forestry.

As many of you are aware the USFS National Type II Crew BPA had a stay of performance (protests filed after the award of a contract) which caused a significant shortage of crews nationwide. As of June 23, 2021 USDA has overridden the stay of performance, and is moving forward on the award of the Type II Contract crews and anticipate that they will be up and operational within 7 days. Fire and Aviation Management leadership with both the US Forest Service (USFS) and Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) have discussed solutions to crew needs on US Forest Service jurisdictional incidents prior to the BPA award, or if we find that nationally there is a significant limit on crew capacity.

Prior to the 2021 fire season, both agencies established shared understanding for [cross utilization of ground resource on Forest Service Incidents](#) that outlined when ODF contracted resources could be used on multi-jurisdictional federal incidents (please reference link for further clarification on usage of these resources).

Due to the current issues surrounding federal contract crew availability, USFS and ODF have agreed to expand the previous direction referenced above to supplement firefighting crew capacity within the state of Oregon on USFS single jurisdictional incidents with the following guidelines for the 2021 Fire Season:

ORDERING:

1. Crew Orders
 - a. Crew orders placed through local dispatch unit and when they cannot be filled locally submitted to the GACC (NWCC) for filling.
 - b. NWCC will place the order direct to Salem Coordination Center for these crews.
2. IF unit received a Unable to fill (UTF) or National Type II crew order will not arrive in time to meet critical incident objectives, ODF IRA Resources can be ordered. (When ordering crew please specify 10 or 20 person crew)

NOTE: Ensure Crew Resource order reflect the justification for the use of ODF IRA Crew Resources.
3. Ordering line supervisors must be familiar with ODF IRA terms and conditions. See attached the ODF IRA term and conditions, personnel must become familiar with this should you receive these resources. If further clarification is needed please contact USFS Contract Operations (kevin.toombs@usda.gov, 541-419-7039).

PAYMENT:

As has already been outlined in the original memo these crew contracts must be paid for by Oregon Department of Forestry. All paperwork must be submitted to ODF for payment. Please submit the OF-286 contracting pack package directly to:

Stacy Miller at Oregon Department of Forestry Stacy.MILLER@oregon.gov

Each package must be submitted in pdf by individual crew number with the following documentation: *(this is to be submitted immediately after demobilization – please do not sit on these invoices.)*

- a. Resource Order
- b. OF-286 Emergency Equipment User Invoice (signed by vendor and government representative)
- c. Shift Tickets
- d. IRA pricing guide for Vendor (do not need copies of terms and conditions included in this part of the package)
- e. Break down, Repair, Fuel Issue or other documentation information.
- f. Contact Name and cell number of individual submitting package.

Oregon Department of Forestry and US Forest Service Lead Incident Business Specialists will work together to expedite invoicing and payments. If you have question regarding these packages please direct them to Stacy Miller (ODF) 503-701-0236 or Becky Slick (USFS) 503-896-0618.

Ted, please forward to the Dispatch Centers. Thanks



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